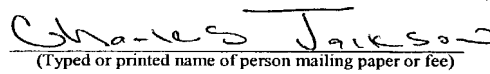


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TITLE OF INVENTION		<b>IMAGE PICK-UP APPARATUS AND IMAGE PICK-UP METHOD</b>			
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